GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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PROPERTIES OF DESPLACED KASHMIRI PANDITS
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various Departments of Union and State Government of Jammu and Kashmir have taken possession of the different properties belonging to displaced Kashmiri Pandits and their religious institutions temporarily/permanently without taking consent of the owners;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether no compensation/rent etc. has been paid to the owners;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action proposed to be taken by the Government to pay compensation at the earliest?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(e): It is true that various Departments of Central and State Governments have occupied properties belonging to displaced Kashmiri Migrants without taking consent of their owners because of the security situation in the State.As intimated by the Government of J&K, the details of properties belonging to Kashmiri Migrants under occupation of various Departments of Government and Security Forces are given as under:

	No. of occupied	Houses/ land for	Rent assessed process	No. of cases under
Houses	1201	819	382	
Land	9717.57 (Kanals)	6276.22 (Kanals)	120	

Government of J&K has been requested to expedite the assesment/release of rent in all the cases.